Cochin which run via Howrah, it is proposed to introduce a new weekly express train between Howrah-Cochin from October, 1987.

Departmental promotion in the Central Health Services.

1873. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of officers considered by Departmental Promotion Committees and recommended for promotion to the Junior Administrative Grade (including non-functional Selection Grades) during 1986 and 1987 in the Central Health Service;

(b) the criteria and attributes for selection of such officers for being placed in the non-functional selection grade;

(c) whether there has been any change in the criteria for selection in the year 1987 as compared to the year 1986 and earlier;

(d) if so, what are the salient features of the change in the criteria and the reasons for changing the criteria; and

(e) what is the number of officers considered and included in the promotion lists of the two grades during the last five years, yearwise in the above service?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) During the year 1986, 175 Officers of the Central Health Services were considered by the Departmental Promotion Committee for promotion to the post of Chief Medical Officer (Junior Administrative Grade). The Committee recommended 42 Officers for appointment to the said post. Another meeting of the Departmental Promotion Committee is scheduled to be held this month. No promotions to the Non-functional selection grade were made during the years 1986 and 1987 (so far) for non-availability of eligible officers.

(b) According to CHS Rules, 1982 and Government instructions, an officer holding the post of Chief Medical Officer becomes eligible for Non-functional selection Grade after he has reached the maximum of the scale of the post of Chief Medical Officer and has stagnated at the maximum of the scale for a period of two years. The selection is made on the basis of seniority-cum-fitness.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) A statement is attached.

Statement

Chief Medical Officer	Year	No. of Officer considered	No. of Officer recommended for promotion
1	2	3	4
	1983	319	134
	1984	—	—
	1985	—	—
	1986	175	42
	1987	100	Recommendations are awaited

1	2	3	4
Non-Functional Selection Grade			
	1983	20	20
	1984	—	No Officer was eligible as per CHS Rules, 1982.
	1985	3	3
	1986	—	No Officer was eligible as per CHS Rules, 1982.
	1987	—	No Officer is eligible as per CHS Rules, 1982

Football Stadium in Goa

1874. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Goa has no full-fledged football stadium in spite of the State occupying a prominent place in the football map of the country; and

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government for the construction of a football stadium in Goa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) Under the Constitution, 'Sports' is a State subject. Union Govt. gives financial assistance for construction of stadia, swimming pools, gymnasia etc. when proposals are received from State Govts. A proposal was received from village Panchayat, Orlim, Salcete block for financial assistance for acquisition of land to develop a football field. The applicant was informed that Union Govt. has no scheme for giving assistance for acquisition of land.

Ex-gratia payment to workers of major ports

1875. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there have been complaints of delay in the payment of ex-gratia assistance to the workers of major ports in the country for 1986-87; and

(b) if so, whether the complaints have been looked into and steps taken to remedy the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) Some representations for early payment of ex-gratia to port and dock workers were received by Government. Necessary Orders for payment of ex-gratia to port and dock workers have already been issued on 16-7-1987. There has been no undue delay in declaring ex-gratia payment as it is announced usually during June/July every year.